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VAGRANT LAW

New Bill Introduced in Legislature Monday

Tennessee has no vagrant law, the supreme court recently declaring the present law unconstitutional. The present legislature, at the suggestion of the members of the state, will very likely pass a new law and one that will be the test of the supreme court. Tuesday's Nashville Banner had the following on this subject:

Senator Burkhalter's vagrancy bill, which was mentioned in these columns on Monday, is one of several bills approved by the mayors of Tennessee who held their meeting in Nashville in January. This bill was drawn by the legislative committee of the league and is one of general purpose to apply over the entire state and not for local use alone in any city or town. The supreme court in passing upon the late law on this subject declared it unconstitutional because it sought to exempt certain classes from the operation of the law. The pending bill is drawn along the same lines, no more drastic than was the old law, and is legislation badly needed in Tennessee to go after the chronic loafer found in every city and town who will not work and, the intent of the law is not to affect any person temporarily out of employment for any reason or who may come into the state looking for work. The law does not contemplate every man out of a job a vagrant by any means, and it will admit of a broad enough construction to meet any case of where a man is idle for just cause not to class him a loafer or vagrant. This law if enacted, will aid officials in breaking up loafing places in the cities and towns that are a nuisance to society. This is a time when every hand should be helping in the work of reconstruction.

Sweet Potato Growers

There is a movement on foot to make Huntingdon one of the centers of the sweet potato growing industry in West Tennessee. We have noted the success of the growers of Gleason, Paris and McKenzie, and some think we can do as well at Huntingdon. At all the places mentioned above we find that their success came not alone from individual effort, but that

the growers united themselves in the Sweet Potato Growers' Associations, which transact business in a business-like manner. Would it not be well for us to come together and discuss this and other matters pertaining to the industry?

A meeting of those who are interested in the growing of sweet potatoes will be held in the court house on Thursday night, February 20, at 7:30. All interested parties are invited to come. W. R. Hawkes, secretary and sales manager of the Gleason Sweet Potato Association, will be with us and will tell something of the results accomplished by that organization, which has brought so many thousands of dollars into the community about Gleason. Bring your neighbor—come along and let's get down to business on this important industry if we mean to do anything this year. Come prepared to ask questions and we will have full and free discussion for all.

C. H. MOODY.

ADVERTISING AUTHORIZED

Traffic Department of Railroad to Boost Agriculture

The traffic department of the N. C. & St. L. Railway has now the authority to do a limited amount of advertising which is to be employed in the development of co-operative marketing. Previous to this time, under the Federal control of railroads, all forms of advertising was discontinued.

This department will advertise products and commodities for sale or wanted and will publish lists of the same at stated intervals. It will also send out literature on alfalfa growing and various agricultural products.

The first of these advertisements appears in the Democrat this week and our farmers will find co-operation with the railroads along this line of value.

Big Fire

The little town of Fruitland, five miles north of Humboldt, on the Mobile & Ohio railroad, was destroyed by fire early Tuesday morning. Every business establishment of the town was burned. The town caught from a boarding car. The buildings were all of wood, and it is now thought some brick buildings will take their place.

IMPORTANT LEGISLATION

Three Important Measures Were Introduced Monday

Three important bills were introduced in the state legislature Monday.

These are bills to abolish the board of control and substitute a business manager and an advisory committee instead, and a bill which would redistribute the funds of the state so that the rural school terms would be lengthened.

A bill providing for a \$30,000,000 good roads bond issue and calling for an election on the matter in every county in the state was also introduced in both the house and senate.

The action of the legislature on these bills will be watched with much interest by the people of the state.

Lost Three Families

Milan lost three of her best families in the past few weeks. Dr. J. L. Stanfill and family removed to Nashville and J. J. Harwood and family and J. L. Dannwood and family to Memphis. The two latter are commercial travelers. All three families will be missed in the church and social circles.

Election Notice

Municipal Election for the Town of Hollow Rock.

By virtue of the authority vested in the undersigned Election Commissioners, an election is hereby called to be held in the Town of Hollow Rock on Saturday, March 1, 1919, for the purpose of electing a Mayor and five Aldermen, who, when elected, shall constitute the town council of the municipal corporation of the Town of Hollow Rock. Said election to be held within lawful hours. And the following named parties are hereby appointed to hold said election:

Officer. H. G. McMackins; clerks, Ethan Cox and L. L. Crutchfield; judges, Harvey Hodge, Enis McAuley and E. A. Holcomb. This February 5, 1919. Carroll County Election Commissioners.

JOHN T. PEELER,
Chairman.
J. W. WILLIAMS,
Secretary.

It Pays to Advertise

Editor Democrat:—Last week I advertised a horse for sale in your columns. On Saturday I sold him. Have been busy ever since telling people in person, by telephone and by letter that he is sold. It pays to advertise. C. H. MOODY.

EQUAL SUFFRAGE

The Amendment Defeated in the Senate Monday

The vote on suffrage Monday came just one year and one month after the date of the passage of the suffrage resolution by the house.

The amendment was lost Monday by one vote. A two-thirds vote of those present was needed, so that fifty-six votes would have spelled victory for the women.

The proposed amendment to the constitution reads as follows:

"The right of citizens of the United States to vote shall not be denied or abridged by the United States or by any state on account of sex."

It was first introduced in January, 1878, by Senator Sargent, of California. Since that time it has been introduced twenty-nine times. Three times the senate has voted it down—in 1887, 1914 and 1919. The nays heretofore in the senate always have numbered 34.

One vote changed from the negative to the affirmative Monday would have given the required two-thirds and insured the submission of the amendment to the people.

Twenty-four Democrats and 31 Republicans voted for the amendment and 18 Democrats and 11 Republicans against it.

To Build Pike

The Lexington and Saltillo Turnpike Company is an actuality. The capital stock is \$50,000 and the incorporators are H. E. Graper, T. A. Lancaster and A. S. Montgomery, of Lexington; A. M. Powers, of Reagan; C. D. Wilkerson, Robert Hinkle and C. A. Ross, of Saltillo. This corporation will launch at an early date the construction of an up-to-date graveled pike from Lexington to Saltillo on the Tennessee river, in Hardin county, a distance of 28 miles. The people along the proposed thoroughfare are receiving with delight the news of the much-needed benefaction.

Mrs. Clemantine Springer

Mrs. Clemantine Springer, widow of the late Rennie B. Springer, died at the home of her son, Caleb Springer, in the Thirteenth district, last Friday of ills incident to old age. She was born August 5,

1843, and was 75 years, 4 months and 2 days old. She was married December 20, 1865, and one son survives. Her husband died about 16 years ago. She joined the Christian church when young and lived a consistent member. She was always at her post of duty. In addition to her son she is survived by six grandchildren, one sister and many relatives and friends. The burial occurred Saturday at the Sellers graveyard, after appropriate funeral and burial services.

Control Hog Cholera

All virus permit holders in Carroll county are requested to meet in the court house at Huntingdon at 1 o'clock Thursday afternoon, February 20. Dr. John T. Ellis, veterinary inspector for the U. S. Bureau of Animal Industry, writes me that he will be present with an important message for those who hold permits to vaccinate. We are striving to stamp out hog cholera from all of West Tennessee. Let's do it. Be on hand. C. H. MOODY.

HOLD LIBERTY BONDS

It is Your Patriotic Duty to do so—They are Worth the Cost

Buyers of previous issues of Liberty bonds are urged to realize the necessity for holding them. The same arguments that former Secretary of the Treasury McAdoo urged during the campaign are as applicable now as before the armistice was signed.

A man's duty is not done when he simply buys bonds. He must hold them to do his full duty by his government. From the first issue it was urged that prospective buyers do not buy in excess of their means. The government needed the money to win the war, and it frankly went before the public and "laid its cards on the table."

What the money was to be expended for was told, and now that the war has been fought to a success, it is found that it is necessary to float one more bond issue to realize the fruits of victory.

It is your duty to buy, but there is no advantage if you sell previous issues to make the purchase. The interest rate on the fifth and last loan—The Victory Loan—has not been announced. Neither has the amount. These are mere details. Every loyal citizen will support his government to the utmost, and he will not quibble over the interest rate.

CLUB ORGANIZED

Names Enrolled and Committees Extended Time

The Huntingdon Commercial Club was organized at the court house last Friday, February 8. Memberships are to be unlimited, and each member is to pay annual membership fees of \$4.00, divided as follows: One dollar at time of becoming a member of the club, \$1.00 payable at end of each 90 days thereafter.

The charter members of the club are as follows:

W. H. Eason, Chas. M. Watson, D. T. Barnhill, John Barrow, Fred Tate, J. B. Gilbert, Jno. F. Neely, W. S. Priest, J. W. Murphy, R. A. Greene, Jno. T. Peeler, Jno. R. Pitts, Dr. B. C. Dodds, L. A. Hurt, C. M. Townes, S. C. Harvey, Fred Bennett, Ben C. Joyner, Dr. J. B. Cox, I. Wirt Evans, Joe Tate, P. W. Maddox, A. S. Weston, C. H. Moody, F. E. Johnson, Mrs. J. L. Richards, W. L. Noell, Jno. J. Hendrickson, Joe T. Hester, Alaska E. Hall, E. C. Freeman, M. F. Priest, Geo. W. Parish, Mrs. C. A. Teachout, J. Sam Johnson, Allen S. Eason, R. E. Ware and G. G. Joyner.

The committees to recommend officers and to prepare by-laws and constitution were extended more time. They will report at the meeting tonight. R. E. Ware and Marshall Priest headed two committees to solicit members. They will make their first report tonight. The club adjourned to meet tonight at the same place.

Hogs Grow Big

Some heavy hogs have been butchered in the Trezevant community. John Williams butchered one that netted 575 pounds, and John M. Smith butchered one that netted 550 pounds. Figured at 20 cents per pound, the market price at the pole, the Williams hog would have netted \$115 and the Smith hog \$110, or \$225 for the two hogs. They were both of the famous Poland-China breed and were about two years old.

Tuberculosis Cases

It is reported from Washington that 24,000 soldiers have been discharged from the army as tubercular since the beginning of the war. This is a terrible disease and makes itself felt in all walks of life.

THERE IS NO BETTER INVESTMENT

THAN GOOD CLOTHES



When clothes make a favorable impression—and **GOOD CLOTHES DO**—they are really stepping-stones to success, and their worth to you can never be overestimated. It's what you get out of these Suits and Overcoats that makes them such a good investment, and you'll be surprised how comparatively little you have to put into them now. We are going to sell the remainder of our fall Suits and Overcoats.

\$27.50 and \$25.00 Suits **\$19.75** at
\$37.50, \$35.00 and \$30.00 **\$25.00** at
\$40.00, \$35.00 and \$30.00 **\$25.00** Overcoats at
\$25.00 Young Men's **\$15.00** Boy's fall Suits \$15.00 reduced to **\$12.50** Overcoats at

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